

### **Remarks**

The above Amendments and these Remarks are intended to place the subject application in condition for allowance. No fee is due for the addition of any new claims or for conversion of claims from dependent form to independent form.

These preliminary amendments are submitted to correct clerical defects in the claims as originally filed, and to clarify the scope of the invention as claimed. It is submitted that these amendments add no new matter to that which was originally filed.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the amendments set forth above be entered.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325 for any matter in connection with this amendment which may be required. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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